

- 10 -

REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 10, 12-13, 15 and 17 are currently pending in the application. By this amendment, claims 7, 10, 13 and 17 have been amended and claims 8-9, 11, 14, 16, and 18-20 have been cancelled. The foregoing separate sheets marked as "Listing of Claims" shows all the claims in the application, with an indication of the current status of each.

Applicant thanks Examiner for the indication that claims 1-6 are allowable.

Claim Rejections: 35 USC § 112, First Paragraph

Examiner's Point #3. Claims 7 and 10-20 stand rejected under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, as not enabled by the specification. The Examiner states that the specification of the application is enabling for the treatment of obesity, pain, vomiting, nausea, and appetite loss. Claims 8-9, 11, 14, 16 and 18-20 are hereby cancelled, thereby making moot this portion of the rejection. Claim 7 has hereby been amended to recite only the treatment of obesity, pain, vomiting, nausea, and appetite loss.

Examiner's Point #4. Claim 16 stands rejected under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph. Claim 16 has hereby been cancelled, thereby making moot this rejection.

Examiner's Point #5. Claims 9 and 16 stand rejected under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description. Claims 9 and 16 have hereby been cancelled, thereby making moot this rejection.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

Other Matters

In order to address Examiner's arguments concerning the recitation of "sulfonamide moiety" (presumably in claims 10, 13 and 17), Applicant has hereby amended claims 10, 13 and 17 to include the features of claims 11, 14 and 18 (claims 11, 14 and 18 being hereby cancelled). Claims 10, 13, and 17 still recite "sulfonamide moiety" but the precise compounds to be used in the methods of the claims are identified in the claims.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of claims 10, 13, and 17 and claims dependent thereon.